making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010 (H. Rept. 111–287).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Schrader to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:48 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H10463

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Pastor Greg Schannep, Faith Fellowship, Fort Hood, Texas. Page H10463

Ronald Reagan Centennial Commission—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House of Representatives to the Ronald Reagan Centennial Commission: Representatives Foster and Moore (KS).

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measures:

Expressing support for designation of the week of September 13, 2009, as Adult Education and Family Literacy Week: H. Res. 707, amended, to express support for designation of the week of September 13, 2009, as Adult Education and Family Literacy Week, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 412 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 755;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "Expressing support for designation of the week of October 18, 2009, as National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week.".

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Supporting the goals and ideals of Campus Fire Safety Month: H. Res. 167, to express the sense of the House of Representatives supporting the goals and ideals of Campus Fire Safety Month;

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Expressing support for designation of October 8, 2009, as national Jumpstart's "Read for the Record Day": H. Res. 741, amended, to express support for designation of October 8, 2009, as national Jumpstart's "Read for the Record Day"; and

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Supporting the goals and ideals of "National Estuaries Day": H. Res. 710, to support the goals and ideals of "National Estuaries Day". Pages H10474–75 Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Recognizing that country music has made a tremendous contribution to American life and cul*ture:* H. Res. 650, to recognize that country music has made a tremendous contribution to American life and culture and to declare country music to be a uniquely American art form;

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Recognizing the Dyke Marsh Wildlife Preserve as a unique and precious ecosystem: H. Res. 701, to recognize the Dyke Marsh Wildlife Preserve as a unique and precious ecosystem; and Pages H10473-74

Honoring the people of Shanksville, Pennsylvania, and the Flight 93 Ambassadors for their efforts in creating the Flight 93 temporary memorial: H. Res. 795, to honor the people of Shanksville, Pennsylvania, and the Flight 93 Ambassadors for their efforts in creating the Flight 93 temporary memorial and to encourage the completion of the National Park Service Flight 93 National Memorial by the 10th anniversary of September 11, 2001.

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Recess: The House recessed at 3:29 p.m. and reconvened at 5:30 p.m. Page H10477

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010—Motion to go to Conference: The House agreed to the Skelton motion to disagree to the Senate amendment and agree to a conference on H.R. 2647, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2010 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, to provide special pays and allowances to certain members of the Armed Forces, and to expand concurrent receipt of military retirement and VA disability benefits to disabled military retirees.

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Agreed to the Skelton motion to close portions of the conference by a yea-and-nay vote of 405 yeas to 7 nays, Roll No. 753.

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Rejected the Forbes motion to instruct conferees by a yea-and-nay vote of 178 yeas to 234 nays, Roll No. 754. Pages H10485–86

Later, the Chair appointed the following conferees: From the Committee on Armed Services, for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Skelton, Spratt, Ortiz, Taylor, Abercrombie, Reyes, Snyder, Smith (WA), Loretta Sanchez, McIntyre, Brady (PA), Andrews, Davis (CA), Langevin, Larsen (WA), Cooper, Marshall, Bordallo, McKeon, Bartlett, Thornberry, Jones, Akin, Forbes, Miller (FL), Wilson (SC), LoBiondo, Bishop (UT), Turner and Wittman.

From the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, for consideration of matters within the jurisdiction of that committee under clause 11 of rule X: Representatives Reyes, Schiff and Hoekstra.

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